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DWORSHAK OPERATIONS PLAN REVIEW **SET FOR JUNE 19**

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Water release strategies from Dworshak Reservoir for the coming year and other regional water issues will be discussed at the annual Dworshak operation plan meeting set for June 19, the Idaho Water Resource Board announced today.

The impact of last year's Dworshak flow release on water temperature in lower Snake River reservoirs will be examined during the meeting. This will be augmented by a presentation of a Genesis Model of Dworshak to simulate summer operations that optimize flow releases and reservoir levels.

The elements of an Integrated Rule Curve for the Dworshak project will also be covered. There will also be an update on anadromous fish populations in the Snake River, an update on the Dworshak master plan and a report on Dworshak reservoir habitat improvement.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Dworshak Visitor Center located on the west side of the dam.

The annual meeting is an outgrowth of the Dworshak Operation Plan adopted by the Board in December 2000 and ratified by Idaho Legislature in its 2001 session. The plan committed the Board to meet annually with the Corps of Engineers to discuss reservoir operations strategies.

For more information, contact Bill Graham, head of the Water Planning Bureau at (208) 327-7966.

The meeting will be held in a facility that meets the requirements of the Americans with Disability Act. If you need special assistance to attend, participate in or understanding the meetings, please contact Graham in advance so arrangements can be made.